

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please consider the following preliminary amendment in connection with the divisional application of the above-noted application filed herewith.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.